been filed by banks and FIs for recovery of their funds as on 31st March every year.

(iii) Pursuant to the instructions of the Central Vigilance Commission, RBI has framed a scheme in February 1999 for collection of information on wilful defaulters of Rs. 25 lakhs and above and dissemination to the reporting banks and FIs under which the banks and FIs *viz.* IDBI, IFCI and ICICI will be required to submit RBI the details of the wilful defaulters.

(c) The targets for recovery of non-performing assets (NPAs) is generally fixed by the institution/banks as part of corporate strategy every year. Information on recovery of NPAs due to joint strategy is not available.

Spurt in Smuggling of Narcotics

694. SHRI PRAFULL GORADIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of drugs, opium seized during the last three years, year-wise in Assam and other parts of the region;

(b) whether there has been a spurt in the smuggling of narcotics in the recent past;

(c) whether the Customs Department has made a concerted drive to stop the smuggling of these prohibited items; and

(d) if so, the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR): (a) Sir, two Statements showing seizure of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances respectively in the North-Eastern States including Assam from 1996 up to October, 1999 are enclosed as Statement I and II. Respectively (*See* below).

(b) The intelligence gethered and the seizures made do not indicate any spurt in the smuggling of narcotics in the recent past.

(c) and (d) All drug law enforcement agencies including Customs Department are making concerted efforts to curb drug trafficking in

the country. Strict vigil and enforcement agencies have resulted in the seizures of drugs and paychotropic substances as indicated in Annexures I and II.

Statement-I

Seizures (in kg.) of Narcotic Drugs in North Eastern States 1996 -1999 (upto October)

State	Year	Opium	Heroin	Ganja
Assam	1996	4.820	1.310	5590.050
	1997	1.970	0.740	9023.530
	1998	4.160	1.790	13520.750
	1999*	3.050	0.750	4300.260
Manipur	1996	—	3.830	19776.950
	1997	—	2.280	16609.000
	1998	—	5.460	2426.520
	1999*	0.020	4.100	4353.000
Meghalaya	1996	—	—	2414.300
	1997	—	0.550	544.650
	1998	—	—	382.000
	1999*	—	—	—
Mizoram	1996	—	0.010	28.630
	1997	1.330	0.510	4501.800
	1998	—	6.390	60.650
	1999*	0.510	1.470	19.020
Nagaland	1996	—	0.030	13953.300
	1997	—	0.016	10533.500
	1998	—	—	4891.000
	1999*	—	—	2266.000
Arunachal Pradesh	1996	0.650	—	—
	1997	0.205	—	49.070
	1998	5.370	—	63.300
	1999*	0.810	—	—
Tripura	1996	—	—	10.900
	1997	—	0.260	147.400
	1998	—	—	148.250
	1999*	—	—	9.000

*Provisional